



# MINUTES Board of Water Commissioners

David Gebhard Public Meeting Room 630 Garden Street, Parking Lot Side Entrance

Thursday, December 15, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Mike Kielborn, Dave Davis, Megan Birney

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Barry Keller, Michael Jordan

STAFF PRESENT: Joshua Haggmark, Water Resources Manager; Kelley Dyer, Water

Supply Manager; Lisa Arroyo, Wastewater System Manager; Matt Ward, Water Distribution Superintendent; Dale Francisco, General Manager of Cachuma Conservation Release Board; Sarita King, Administrative Specialist; Brendan Mohun, Accounting Assistant

COUNCIL LIAISON: Harwood "Bendy" White

**PUBLIC:** Lindsey Baker, Co-President, League of Women Voters; Alex Bennett,

Policy Analyst, Heal the Ocean; Bob McDonald, General Manager,

Carpinteria Valley Water District

**1. CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL Commissioners Barry Keller and Michael Jordan absent

3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: No changes

4. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC: No comments.

- 5. CONSENT ITEMS: Mike Kielborn, Chair brought up how he would like the Meeting Minutes from October and November to be changed in order to show the correct Commissions who made the motions for those meetings. Commissioner Megan Birney recused herself from the October meeting because she was not in attendance.
  - a) Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2016: Commissioner Birney recused herself from this meeting, so it was not discussed.
  - b) Meeting Minutes of November 17, 2016: Motion (Davis/Birney 3/0/2) to approve the minutes once corrected.

#### 6. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

## a) Water and Wastewater Capital Improvement Plan

Matt Ward, Water Distribution Superintendent, discussed the Water System Capital Programs and the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2018 and Fiscal Year 2019. More specifically, he spoke about the budget regarding the following programs: Cater Water Treatment Plant Equipment Rehabilitation, Annual Water Main Replacement Program, Pump Station Rehabilitation Program, Reservoir Maintenance Program, Groundwater Supply Program, Recycled Water Program, and Water Meter Replacement Program.

Joshua Haggmark, Water Resources Manager, discussed working on a Water System Master Plan, which would focus on water quality in 2019.



Lisa Arroyo, Wastewater System Manager, discussed the Capital Improvement Programs for Wastewater Systems for Fiscal Years 2018 and 2019. More specifically, she spoke about the budget regarding the following programs: Annual Repair of Collection System Pipes, Contractual CCTV work, Collection System Asset Management, Sewer Main Repair, Sewer Main Replacement, Sewer Main Rehabilitation, Annual Lift Station Maintenance, El Estero Equipment Strategic Plan, El Estero Maintenance Program, and other El Estero Projects.

## b) Cachuma Conservation Release Board Response to State Water Rights Order

Dale Francisco, General Manager of the Cachuma Conservation Release Board, gave a presentation regarding the State Water Resources Control Board's draft order amending the Bureau of Reclamation's water rights permits for the Cachuma Project on the Santa Ynez River. Mr. Francisco provided an overview of the history and process for the State water rights permits, described elements of the recent September 7, 2016, draft order that affect water supply, and reviewed Cachuma Conservation Release Board (CCRB) comments on the draft order submitted to the State on December 9, 2016. CCRB is a joint powers agency representing the City of Santa Barbara, Goleta Water District, and Montecito Water District.

## c) Annual Water Report and Stage Three Drought Update

Joshua Haggmark, Water Resources Manager, gave his monthly report on the Stage 3 Drought and discussed the drought status, community conservation, and the water supply strategy. Mr. Haggmark also discussed possible a Desalination Project expansion and went into detail regarding the treatment, conveyance, funding, and schedule of the expansion.

Kelley Dyer, Water Supply Manager, discussed the annual 2016 Water Supply Management Report. This Report discusses the City's water supply status and, in accordance with conditions of the environmental review the State Water Project conveyance to Cachuma, makes a finding that the City's groundwater basins are in long-term balance. The annual 2016 Water Supply Management Report will be available for public review by December 23, 2016, at <a href="www.santabarbaraca.gov/water">www.santabarbaraca.gov/water</a>. The report is tentatively scheduled to go to Council on January 24, 2017. Commissioner Megan Birney recommended that the Commission move forward with the Annual Water Supply and Stage Three Drought Update with the exception that staff re-examine the expansion of non-potable water reuse and bring that back to the Commission for discussion.

Motion (Birney/Davis 3/0/2) to approve the staff's recommendations

### 7. WATER RESOURCES MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Haggmark highlighted pertinent data in the report and informed the Water Commissioners that groundwater production has been exceeding expectations of this year.

8. DATE OF NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: Thursday, January 19, 2017, David Gebhard Public Meeting Room, 630 Garden Street (Parking Lot Side Entrance)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.